

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace Abstract with the following amended Abstract:

Disclosed herein is a bird feeder comprising one or more tube chambers, a base, top locking device and a guard. This bird feeder allows a consumer to create multiple designs. For example, the guard of the current invention can be formed by one or more units adjacently disposed upon the feeder, each of the guard units being configured to cover a portion of the top openings of one or more tube chambers. The guard is ostensibly designed to prevent squirrels and other animals from accessing [[the]] predetermined feed chambers and can be configured in many different ways.

Please replace paragraph [0003] with the following amended paragraph [0003]:

[0003] Bird feeders are structures intended to serve as a [[fo9od]] food disposal units for a variety of bird species. There are numerous bird feeders currently on the market. Some feeders, in particular nectar feeders, are designed for birds such as humming birds and orioles, while other feeders are designed to dispense seed for seed eating birds.